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Subpart 2800—Rights-of-Way: General

§ 2800.0-1 Purpose.

The purpose of the regulations in this part is to establish procedures for the orderly and timely processing of applications, grants, permits, amendments, assignments and terminations for rights-of-way and permits over, upon, under or through public lands pursuant to title V, Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761-1771) and for the administration, assignment, monitoring and termination of right-of-way grants issued on or before October 21, 1976, pursuant to then existing statutory authority.

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§ 2800.0-2 Objectives.

It is the objective of the Secretary of the Interior to grant rights-of-way and temporary use permits, covered by the regulations in this part, to any qualified individual, business entity, or governmental entity and to regulate, control and direct the use of said rights-ofway on public land so as to:

(a) Protect the natural resources associated with the public lands and adjacent private or other lands administered by a government agency.

(b) Prevent unnecessary or undue environmental damage to the lands and resources.

(c) Promote the utilization of rightsof-way in common with respect to engineering and technological compatibility, national security and land use plans.

(d) Coordinate, to the fullest extent possible, all actions taken pursuant to this part with State and local governments, interested individuals and appropriate quasi-public entities.

§ 2800.0-3 Authority.

Sections 303, 310, and 501-511 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733, 1761-1771) authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations providing for the use, occupancy, and development of the public lands through permits, easements, and rights-of-way.

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$\S 2800.0-5$ Definitions.

As used in this part, the term:

(a) Act means the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of October 21, 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

(b) Secretary means the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) Authorized officer means any employee of the Bureau of Land Management to whom has been delegated the authority to perform the duties described in this part.

(d) Public lands means any lands or interest in land owned by the United States and administered by the Secretary through the Bureau of Land Management, without regard to how the United States acquired ownership, except: (1) Lands located on the Outer

Continental Shelf; and (2) lands held for the benefit of Indians, Aleuts and Eskimos.

(e) Applicant means any qualified individual, partnership, corporation, association or other business entity, and any Federal, State or local governmental entity including municipal corporations which applies for a right-of-way grant or a temporary use permit.

(f) *Holder* means any applicant who has received a right-of-way grant or temporary use permit.

(g) Right-of-way means the public lands authorized to be used or occupied pursuant to a right-of-way grant.

(h) Right-of-way grant means an instrument issued pursuant to title V of the act, or issued on or before October 21, 1976, pursuant to then existing statutory authority, authorizing the use of a right-of-way over, upon, under or through public lands for construction, operation, maintenance and termination of a project.

(i) Temporary use permit means a revocable non-possessory, non-exclusive privilege, authorizing temporary use of public lands in connection with construction, operation, maintenance, or termination of a project.

(j) Facility means an improvement constructed or to be constructed or used within a right-of-way pursuant to a right-of-way grant. For purposes of communication site rights-of-way, facility means the building, tower, and/or other related incidental improvements authorized under terms of the right-of-way grant.

(k) *Project* means the transportation or other system for which the right-ofway is authorized.

(I) Designated right-of-way corridor means a parcel of land either linear or areal in character that has been identified by law, by Secretarial Order, through the land use planning process or by other management decision as being a preferred location for existing and future right-of-way grants and suitable to accommodate more than 1 type of right-of-way or 1 or more rights-of-way which are similar, identical or compatible; and